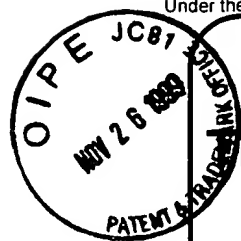


Please type a plus sign (+) inside the box → ☐

PTO/SB/21 (10-96)

Approved for use through 10/31/99. OMB 0651-0031
Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.



TRANSMITTAL FORM (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	08/877,155	
	Filing Date	17 June 1997	
	First Named Inventor	CORMIER, M.	
	Group Art Unit	3763	
	Examiner Name	FINKEL, S.	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	10	Attorney Docket Number	ARC2466R1

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Response	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition Checklist and Accompanying Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input type="checkbox"/> To Convert a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	Return Post Card
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application		
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	Remarks	

RECEIVED
DEC 01 1999
Group 3700

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or Individual name	Owen J. Bates
Signature	<i>Owen J. Bates</i>
Date	17 November 1999

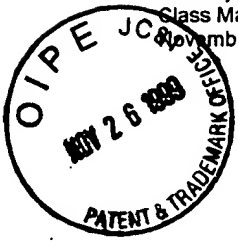
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING			
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this date: 17 November 1999			
Typed or printed name	Owen J. Bates		
Signature	<i>Owen J. Bates</i>	Date	17 November 1999

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

S. Little
12/19/99

#21/D

[Signature]



I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on November 17, 1999.

ALZA Corporation
By *Owen J. Bates*
Owen J. Bates

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	CORMIER, et al	Attorney Docket No.	ARC 2466R1
Serial No.:	08/877,155	Group Art Unit:	3734
Filed:	17 June 1997	Examiner:	FINKEL, S.
Title:	Device with Anchoring Elements for Transdermal Delivery or Sampling of Agents		

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

RECEIVED
DEC 01 1999
Group 3700

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

The Office Action in this application dated 17 June 1999, has been carefully reviewed. In response, the Applicants have amended the claims and provided the remarks herein. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims as amended.